

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 7 through 10 as follows:

The present invention relates to a recording and reproducing apparatus, particularly to ~~the~~ an image recording and reproducing apparatus using a random access recording medium such as a disk.

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 13 through 21 as follows:

Currently, as a recording medium, a camera integral-type recording and reproducing apparatus (hereinafter referred to as a video camera) adopting a disk-shaped recording medium (hereinafter referred to as a disk), such as a semiconductor memory card and DVD (Digital Versatile Disk), comes into the market. Such video cameras are manufactured featuring random access characteristics of the recording medium which magnetic tape cannot attain.

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, line 22 through page 2, line 1 as follows:

For example, the above-described video camera forms each file of a moving image, a still image and an audio concerning a taken scene and records the files in the disk or the like. The video camera directly can access ~~to~~ each file during reproduction to attain the easy and high-speed reproducing operation.

Please amend the paragraph at page 4, lines 7 through 27 as follows:

However, in the conventional recording and reproducing apparatus such as the video camera using the disk, division or partial deletion of the video clip file itself recorded in a stream format is performed, in the case where clip editing, such as the division or the partial deletion of video clip which is of the moving image data file, is performed. Therefore, it is inconvenient because the clip editing ~~provide~~ provides no reversibility to the clip after the editing. Further, since rewriting of the stream data itself is required for after-recording editing of audio, there are various problems such as long processing time. With reference to the play list reproducing function included in the conventional video cameras, the play list reproducing function is an extent of the so-called program reproduction, and the sophisticated editing such that the reproducing operation or synchronization is controlled, while a plurality of contents are dealt with cannot be attained, so that the play list reproducing function is unsatisfying.

Please amend the paragraph at page 16, line 23 through page 17, line 2 as follows:

The play list generation circuit 501 edits the reference type moving image data (QuickTime) and the video data contents to ~~generates~~ generate the play list data while referring to the reference type moving image data (QuickTime) decoded by the file decoding circuit 505 and the video data contents referred to by the reference type moving image data (QuickTime).